

# THE AMWAJ

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## Explorer of the Month

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**Ibn Qurra**

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beautiful seafront villas

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Dear Islanders,

Spring is here bringing with it a fresh breeze, everywhere we look, we see our residents and visitors enjoying the weather, whether it is visiting The Lagoon or having a stroll around the islands.

Amwaj is having a bustling month with many events lined up, including the Amwaj Marina Preowned Boats Exhibition. Due to its success last year and high demand for it, it is being held again this month for the second season. Please turn to the events section inside this issue for more details on other events to enjoy this month.

Lastly, we hope you take advantage of the nice weather by visiting many of the newly opened outlets in The Lagoon, offering a variety of shops that is sure to suit all tastes.

Sincerely,

**The Amwaj Team**

## Explorer of the Month



**Al SABI Thabit  
Ibn Qurra  
(826 – 901)**

**Title:** Ibn Qurra

**Birth:** 826

**Death:** 901

**Region:** Harran

**Main Interests:** Mathematics, Mechanics, Astronomy, Astrology, Translation and Number Theory

**Notable Ideas:** The Medieval astronomical theory of the trepidation of the equinoxes is often attributed to Ibn Qurra. But it has already been described by Theon of Alexandria in his comments of the Handy Tables of Ptolemy. According to Copernicus, Ibn Qurra determined the length of the sidereal year as 365 days, 6 hours, 9 minutes and 12 seconds (and error of 2 seconds).

Copernicus based his claim on the Latin text attributed to Ibn Qurra. Ibn Qurra published his observations of the sun.

**Works:** Only a few of Ibn Qurra's works are preserved in their original form.

## Behind the Name | The Address Homes

Impact Estate is proud to present a new project with sea front villas on Amwaj islands

The Address Homes is a luxury waterfront development comprising 16 private pool villas for sale. The four

bedroom villas boast well laid-out ergonomically designed floor plans, panoramic windows, porcelain tile floors and open style kitchen with Whirlpool appliances. With a plot size of 300 square meters and a built-up area of 459 square meters, each house has a patio with a private swimming pool and beach access, an individual parking, an office, two living rooms, a dining room, bedrooms with sea view, five en-suite bathrooms with sanitary ware and mixers by Laufen and Grohe. Bahrain based real estate company, Impact Estate, can assist you in viewing and the sales/purchase process of this residential project The Address Homes located in Bahrain's most advanced and sought-after area, Amwaj Islands. The villas are also available for long-term rentals. All prices are upon request.

Conveniently situated on Amwaj Islands, The Address Homes is a perfect

family home just 15 minutes away from the bustling city Manama. The project's location in within the proximity of the island's major attractions, and will allow the house owners to indulge in the diversity of restaurants, cafes, shops and spa facilities. The Address Homes will appeal to the clients looking for sea-side living combined with developed infrastructure and easy access. Villas are available for viewings.

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## New Format for EFG Sailing Arabia - The Tour 2015

An all new format and a new route was set this year to give EFG Sailing Arabia - The Tour (SATT) greater prominence in 2015 as the appeal of the Gulf region's leading offshore race extends further afield. Sponsored once more by EFG, the leading global private banking group, SATT 2015 saw a radical change to the 700 nautical-miles route around the Arabian Peninsula as the introduction of training sessions and a new starting point created a more exacting test for sailors in the form of strong and sustained headwinds in the early stages.

EFG Sailing Arabia - The Tour 2015 took place from February 15th – 28th with practice rounds in the preceding days. Since EFG SATT was first launched in 2011, the fleet has crossed the start line in the Bahraini capital, Manama and finished in Oman's capital city of Muscat but for the first time, the route was reversed so the boats, all identical Farr 30s, started their campaigns at Almouj Marina at The Wave, Muscat.

The teams finished 14 days later at the Amwaj Marina in Manama, Bahrain's newest marina, where a grand prize giving ceremony was staged to bring the 2015 event to a close. In between, there were seven stopovers to showcase some of the best venues and facilities on offer to sporting tourists visiting the Gulf region. The first 100 miles of the first leg from Muscat to Sohar were tough but at the end were given a warm welcome at International Maritime College Oman, which had



hosted a SATT stopover for the first time.

The next leg, which at 172 miles, the equivalent of 40 hours of sailing, was the longest of the event taking the fleet around the Musandam Peninsula to Ras Al Khaimah before the boats headed off on short hops to Dubai where the first of two inshore race days were staged, then to Abu Dhabi. The Four Seasons Marina at Doha hosted the next stopover and also rolled out the red carpet for guests who attended the second inshore racing day on February 26th.

The fleet arrived at the finish in Bahrain two days later when the winning team was presented with their trophy. In 2014, it was Sidney Gavignet's EFG Bank (Monaco) who took the title and his return to defend his crown is keenly anticipated. Oman Sail's lineup for the 2015 event had more entries than previously and a larger contingent from Gulf region showed an even higher level of media attention and coverage than last year when new audience records were set.

"Sailing Arabia - The Tour has grown in stature over the past five years because it is a well-run event in beautiful scenery that offers sailors, both professional and amateur from all over the world, the chance to train and compete in fantastic conditions during the winter," said Oman Sail CEO David Graham.

"It has always been our aim to rekindle our mutual Gulf maritime heritage by offering a first class winter racing venue for sailors and provide an outstanding platform to grow regional talent to raise the standard of our home-grown sailors. EFG Sailing Arabia - The Tour ticked all the boxes in helping us achieve our aim."

Keith Gapp, Head of Strategy and Marketing, EFG International said, "EFG sponsors a wide range of sporting events around the world and is proud to continue its association with EFG Sailing Arabia - The Tour this year. With a new route and a new format, EFG Sailing Arabia - The Tour 2015 was an exciting race around some of the Middle East's best marinas."

## Meet Your Neighbours



**Full name:** Brad and Helle, Daughter Julie

**Nationality:** American/Danish

**Place of stay:** Al Marsa Floating City

**What attracted you to Amwaj?**

We were attracted to being able to paddleboard right in our "back yard", riding our bikes around, running and meeting other residents.

**How long have you been living here?**

We have been living in Amwaj for two months.

**What events would you like to see happening in Amwaj?** Outdoor movies and music in the early evening to make it "kid" friendly.

**How do you like to spend your free time in Amwaj?** We like doing any outdoor activities.

**What is your favourite section in the Amwaj Islander newsletter?** Meet your Neighbors!

**Which restaurant or café would you like to see opening in Amwaj?** A wine bar/tapas would be nice.

**In three words, describe Amwaj.** Active, clean, friendly.

**In your opinion, what makes Amwaj different than the other projects in Bahrain?** The easy access to water.

**Do you feel you have made the right decision moving to Amwaj?** Yes, of course.

**What do you like to do in your spare time?** Running, biking, paddle boarding, sightseeing, traveling, relaxing on the beach.

**What's your favourite type of cuisine?** Italian and Mexican

**What's your all time favourite movie?** Forest Gump

**If you could change anything in Amwaj, what would it be?** Amwaj would definitely benefit from a community playground and soccer field for the kids.

## The perfect match: food knows no boundaries



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## Chawan Authentic Japanese Tea House



An authentic Japanese tea house based on the concept of "Hanami", Chawan Authentic Japanese Tea House is based on the tradition of drinking tea under the cherry blossom tree.

The Chawan dream began with an idea that people would enjoy high-quality tea in carefully hand crafted tea cups, individually selected all the way from Japan, where tea is valued as an essential part in leading a life of tranquility and balance. A concept based around "Hanami", a Japanese tradition of drinking tea under the cherry

blossom tree, where the aim is to educate customers about the history and benefits of loose teas and guide them to an overall better way of life.

Providing over 60 varieties of teas as well as traditional Japanese snacks and desserts. Chawan offers a unique experience to the Japanese culture such as Japanese calligraphy,

Yukata (summer kimono) experience, tea ceremony and karaoke.

Chawan is now open at The Lagoon, second floor, Gate 3 and 4 and is open during weekdays from 5-10pm and 5pm-12am on weekends (closed on Mondays). For more information, please contact 33668994 or email [info@chawanbh.com](mailto:info@chawanbh.com). To see the full menu, visit [www.chawanbh.com](http://www.chawanbh.com)



# معرض امواج مارينا للقوارب المستعملة

AMWAJ MARINA PRE-OWNED

# BOATS EXHIBITION

26 -28 MARCH 2015

## Upcoming Events & Sessions

### MARCH

**3- Stand Up Comedy at Amwaj Marina-** a lineup featuring local talents Yousif Taha, Ali 'Fingers' and Tariq 'Rick' Sharif will be sure to have you doubled over. Don't miss the first of its kind event, doors will open at 7pm and show starts at 8pm, tickets are BD7, food and beverages available. For more information, please call 33282727.

**5-7- Bahrain Noor El Ain Food Festival-** get ready for a food tasting adventure for three fabulous nights of flavor and fun at The Lagoon.

**12-28 - Traffic Week** - stop by The Lagoon for a fun day of exhibitions while raising awareness, organized by the Traffic Department. Visitors are welcome from 10am-10pm.

**19-21 - Auto Market-** Car lovers will get a chance to view a variety of car brands displayed at The Lagoon with special offers. Visitors are welcome 12pm-11pm

**26-28 - Amwaj Marina Pre-Owned Boats Exhibition-** due to high demand the exhibition is back for a second season, for boat lovers and sea adventurers. For more information, please call 1601 1160 or email [preownedboatexhibition@amwaj.bh](mailto:preownedboatexhibition@amwaj.bh)

**30- Amwaj Book Club** - resident book lovers are invited to attend at 7.30pm, please contact Suzanne 33109531 for more information and details on location

**Every Friday** - The Muju Jazzy Brunch. Midday-5pm, in addition to a Freddie Mercury tribute performance, this unique offer provides a splendid buffet selection, the glamorous Sushi counter and the extensive live cooking stations as well as choice of dining inside the lounge area, beside the private infinity pool or relaxing on the sun filled decking area, BD 25 net inclusive of food and beverages. For more information, contact Muju Lounge and Restaurant on 1603 9800

**Every Saturday** - Amwaj Marina Prize Night. Enjoy a beautiful night by the Amwaj Marina while winning cash prizes and savouring live BBQ cooking, 8pm-12am. For more information, please call Amwaj Marina main office on 1601 1160.

## Important Notice!

Please note, effective immediately, any For Sale/Rent signage will need to be removed and will no longer be allowed to be displayed on properties and/or land. Any advertising can now be posted through the official Amwaj Islands website. To be included in the Property section on the website, please visit [www.amwaj.bh](http://www.amwaj.bh) or email us on [info@amwaj.bh](mailto:info@amwaj.bh). We would like to extend our appreciation for cooperation in this matter in advance.

## Photo of the Month

Congratulations to Graham Banister who won a BD25 shopping voucher from Alosra Supermarket for March's 'Photo of the Month' Competition with this picture! To participate, please send your photos to [socialmedia@amwaj.bh](mailto:socialmedia@amwaj.bh)

*Please make sure all photos entered for the competition are over 1MB in size to qualify for submission.*

## Amwaj Notice Board

The Amwaj Security and Maintenance teams are responsible for the below.

For leaks or blockage in a common area; contact Kamel on 3666 6007. Beach and road cleaning, damage on roads or pavements, fallen signboards or flags and garbage bins request, contact Niaz on 3315 6871.

For construction site issues contact Roger on 3909 4842. For workers' gate pass, contact Mohammed on 3943 4809. For pest control issues contact Vermindex on 3920 4295.

Traffic accidents can be reported to police on 199, medical emergency, ambulance or fire can be directed to 999, with the assistance of the Amwaj Security team.





**KEY**

-  Waterside residential
-  Inland residential
-  Residential & Commercial
-  Hotel
-  Commercial
-  Educational
-  Amwaj Marina

# Directory

## Amwaj Islands' Security

Working Hours: 24 hrs  
Location: Amwaj Islands entrance  
M 39 866 952  
E security@amwaj.bh

## Amwaj Islands Main Office

Working hours: 8am – 5pm, Sunday - Thursday  
Location: Amwaj Islands entrance  
T 16 033 100  
E info@amwaj.bh  
W www.amwaj.bh

## Tala Island Security

T 16 060 033

## Nuetel Communications

Working Hours: 8am – 5pm, Sunday - Thursday, 8am - 2pm on Saturdays  
T 16 033 000

## International School of Choueifat

T 16 033 333

## Amwaj Marina Dive Club

Robin Bugeja  
M 39 671 748

## Bahrain International Airport

T 17 339 339

## Amwaj Hotels

### The Dragon Beach Hotel & Resort

T 16 031 111

### The Sea Loft Boutique Chalets

T 16 033 833

## Amwaj Outlets

### ACES Taekwondo Academy, Tala Island

M 39 658 741

### Al Osra Supermarket

T 16 033 773  
Working Hours  
Everyday 7am - 11pm

### Azizia Bird Kingdom

T 16 030 597

### Black & White Laundry

T 17 532 268  
M 36 308 889

### Corners

T 16 031 113

### Costa Coffee, Tala Island

T 16 034 509

### Dance Studio, Tala Island

M 33 393 344

### Environment Friends Society

M 39433228

### Franky Joes

T 16 011 601

### Joz Salon & SPA, The Dragon Hotel & Resort

T 16 031 120

### La Contesse Beauty Center

T 16 030 405

### Lux Actuaries

T 77 005 464

### Maya Beach Resort & Fitness, Meena 7

T 16 030 070  
Working Hours: 6.30am - 10pm  
Saturday - Thursday, 8am - 10pm on Fridays

### Muju Lounge & Restaurant

T 16 039 800

### Park & Shop Supermarket, Zawia 2

T 77 115 121

### Pet Arabia

T 16 010 501

### Quest Realty, Meritas House

T 1607 8378

### Speed Rent a Car

T 16 010 131

### Tala Leisure Center

T 16 071 007  
Working Hours  
Weekdays 6am - 10pm  
Weekends 9am - 6pm

### Universal Music

T 16 010 491

### Yara Beauty Lounge, Zawia 1

T 16 010 999  
Working Hours  
Everyday 9am - 8pm

### Zaman Studio, Meritas House

T 77 300 001  
M 39 223 553

### 1956 Market, Meritas House

T 7777 1956  
(free home delivery)

### 24-Hours Supermarket

T 16 034 498

## Food Deliveries

### Breadtalk

T 17 535 371

### Chickey's

T 17 467 771

### China Express

T 17 717 598

### EZ Burger

T 17 241 111

### Hardeez

T 17 111 112

### Hunger Line (Papa Johns, Dairy Queen, Burger King, Quiznos & Chilis)

T 17 506 070

### KFC

T 17 111 111

### Little Ceasars Pizza

T 17 675 552

### Pizza Hut

T 17 111 113

### Pizza Inn

T 17 671 777

### Shanghai Hut

T 17 292 988

### The Clay Oven

T 17 717 008

### Wahid Pastries

T 17 466 771

## Emergency Numbers

### Emergency line

T 999

### Al Hidd Police Station

T 17 671 212

### Samaheej Police Station

T 17 334 401

### Coast Guard

T 17 700 000

### Traffic Police

T 199

## Nearest Hospitals to Amwaj

### American Mission Hospital, Amwaj Medical & Wellness Center

T 17 248 100

### Bahrain Specialist Hospital

T 17 812 000

### Al Hilal Hospital

T 17 344 199

### King Hamad Hospital

T 17 351 450

## Closest Vets to Amwaj

### Dr Mohammed Hussain

T 17 292 125

### Dr Nonie Coutts

T 17 245 515

## Closest Pharmacies to Amwaj

### Al Quds Pharmacy

T 17 470 080

### Ibn Sina Pharmacy

T 17 677 207

### Nasser Pharmacy

T 16 010 505

## Taxi Services

### Arabian Taxi

T 17 461 746

### Bahrain Limo

T 17 266 266

### Bahrain Taxi

T 17 682 999

## Travel Services

### Aradous Travel and Tour

T 17 234 417

## Car Washing Services

### Ecowash

T 17 490 565

## Home Maintenance Services

### Atlas BMS

M 36 558 817  
M 36 191 810

### AXEM

T 17 500 260

### CIRCO

Tala Service Center -  
T: 16030333  
M: 36460101  
Properties and Facilities Management Co.-  
Main Office - 69694000  
M: 33610022  
E: helpdesk@circofcm.com

### MASY

T 17 822 404

## Closest Removal & Storage to Amwaj

### Takhzeen Self Storage

M 69 990 999  
M 37779009

## IT Home Services

### TechnoServ

M 39 609 876

## Cargo Services

### Baz Cargo Services

T 17 771 132

## Closest Post Office to Amwaj

### Al Hidd Post Office

T 17 673 157  
Working Hours: 7am - 2pm  
Saturday to Thursday

## Shopping Malls

### Aali Mall

T 17 581 000

### Bahrain City Center

T 17 179 779

### Moda Mall

T 17 533 140

### Seef Mall

T 17 581 111

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